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FOR:

ELIZABETH D. KELLEHER

PINE DRIVE

POUND RIDGE, NEW YORK 10576

TELEPHONE: (914) 764-5694

EO: 11652: N/A

TAGS: CDES CO

SUBJ: DEATH OF ALFRED KELLEHER

1. IT IS WITH PROFOUND REGRET THAT I MUST INFORM YOU OF THE DEATH OF ALFRED KELLEHER. HOTEL HILTON INFORMED THE AMERICAN EMBASSY AT BOGOTA ON JULY 30 OF HIS DEATH BY UNKNOWN CAUSE.

2. MR KELLEHER HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY U.S. PASSPORT F1116649 ISSUED MAY 15, 1975.

3. THE EMBASSY WILL TAKE CHARGE OF HIS PERSONAL EFFECTS AND WILL WRITE TO YOU CONCERNING THEIR DISPOSITION.

4. REGRETFULLY, I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEED TO MAKE URGENT ARRANGEMENTS. LOCAL LAW REQUIRES LOCAL BURIAL OR THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR SHIPMENT WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS AFTER DEATH. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WISH TO HAVE MR. KELLEHER'S REMAINS RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES. IF SO, PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO NEW YORK WOULD COST \$1,500. IF LOCAL BURIAL IS DESIRED, THE COST IS \$500. CREMATION NOT AVAILABLE. ALL OF THESE COSTS ARE APPROXIMATE.

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5. AFTER YOUR HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION,PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING

ACTIONS:

A. TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY AND DIRECTLY TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, BOGOTA, COLOMBIA AND INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE DECEASED IN YOUR MESSAGE. STATE WHETHER REQUIRED FUNDS ARE BEING TELEGRAPHED AND BY WHAT MEANS. INCLUDE NAME AND ADDRESS OF U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT IF SHIPMENT DESIRED.

B. TELEGRAPH REQUIRED FUNDS SEPARATELY AND PROMPTLY THROUGH OFFICE OF SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20520.

C. IF YOU ARE HAVING THE REMAINS SHIPPED TO THE U.S. YOU MAY WISH TO HAVE THE U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

6. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. WE ESTIMATE APPROXIMATELY TEN DAYS WILL BE REQUIRED IF REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED. UPON COMPLETION OF ALL FORMALITIES, A FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED BY THIS OFFICE WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU.

7. IF NECESSARY, YOU MAY CONTACT THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THIS POST BY PHONING 32-9100 IN BOGOTA.

8. PLEASE ACCEPT MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.

AMERICAN EMBASSY  
CONSULAR SECTION  
BOGOTA, COLOMBIA.  
DREXLER

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